Caseloads of the Courts of Washington

1,177

149

378

1,832

1,177

144

150

1,578

0 %

-3.4 %

-60.3 %

-13.9 %

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TOTAL--COURT OF APPEALS

WSBA/CJC

TOTAL--WSBA/CJC (3)

TOTAL RESOLVED

ORIGINAL ACTIONS AND

TOTAL--ORIG. ACTIONS & FED COURT

	2009	2010	% Chg (4)	2011	% Chg (4)	2012	% Chg (4)	2013	% Chg (4)
TRIAL COURTS	2,009	2,010		2,011		2,012		2,013	
Criminal Appeals	3	2	. %	5	. %	9	. %	6	. %
Civil Appeals	44	35	-20.5 %	38	8.6 %	46	21.1 %	40	-13 %
Total Appeals	47	37	-21.3 %	43	16.2 %	55	27.9 %	46	-16.4 %
Direct Discretionary Review	22	27	. %	23	. %	30	. %	25	. %
Death Penalty Review	1	1	. %	0	. %	1	. %	0	. %
Expenditure of Public Funds	58	42	-27.6 %	77	83.3 %	49	-36.4 %	64	30.6 %
TOTALTRIAL COURTS	128	107	-16.4 %	143	33.6 %	135	-5.6 %	135	0 %
COURT OF APPEALS									
Criminal	459	461	0.4 %	376	-18.4 %	359	-4.5 %	429	19.5 %
Civil	296	293	-1 %	255	-13 %	266	4.3 %	253	-4.9 %
Total Petition for Review	755	754	-0.1 %	631	-16.3 %	625	-1 %	682	9.1 %
Motion for Discr. Review	108	127	17.6 %	128	0.8 %	106	-17.2 %	115	8.5 %
Motion for Discr. Rvw of PRP (2)	300	280	-6.7 %	286	2.1 %	275	-3.8 %	228	-17.1 %
Certifications/Transfers	14	16	. %	9	. %	9	. %	17	. %

1,054

189

117

1,503

-10.5 %

31.3 %

-22 %

-4.8 %

1,015

169

120

1,439

-3.7 %

-10.6 %

2.6 %

-4.3 %

1,042

178

154

1,509

2.7 %

5.3 %

28.3 %

4.9 %

⁽¹⁾ Implementation of the new Appellate Court Records and Data System (ACORDS-II) in the Supreme Court on 6/09/2003 has enabled improved reporting categories and inclusion of review types that were not published in previous annual reports (death penalty reviews, attorney admission and discipline matters, and miscellaneous motions for review). Figures for all years have been recomputed accordingly for presentation in the 2003 and future publications.

⁽²⁾ Improved coding in late 2000 now allows distinct reporting of 1) Motions for Discretionary Review and 2) Motions for Discretionary Review of PRP. Prior to 2001, both are included in Motions for Discretionary Review.

⁽³⁾ Prior to 2003, resolution, pending and mandate information was not reported for cases from the Washington State Bar Association and the Commission on Judicial Conduct. Recording of this information began for resolutions occurring in 2003 and beyond, but is not available retroactively. As a consequence: 1) pending information is not available for WSBA and CJC cases, and 2) resolution and mandate information is available only for 2003 and beyond. In addition, resolution information for years 2004 forward includes some old cases for which the disposed status has been retroactively determined and recorded.

⁽⁴⁾ Percentages are not reported when numbers are small (less than 30).

⁽⁵⁾ As of 2010, Resolution counts have been updated to report only primary case resolutions. Secondary case resolutions have been excluded from all of the resolution counts reported.